

Office of Research and Reports
Economic Research Area
Materials Division

FUELS AND POWER BRANCH

MISSION

The Fuels and Power Branch is responsible for all source economic intelligence on industries producing and distributing solid fuels, petroleum and petroleum products, and electric power within the Sino-Soviet Bloc; for contributing to the coordination of such intelligence production within the U.S. Government; for developing and coordinating economic intelligence in support of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee; for contributing, within its field of responsibility, to national estimates; and, for the maintenance of MIS Section 62 on Sino-Soviet Bloc countries. The industries included in the responsibilities of the Fuels and Power Branch are: for solid fuels--coal, coke, brown coal, lignite, peat, fuel briquettes, fuel wood, charcoal, oil shale and coal gas; for petroleum--crude petroleum, natural gas, natural gas liquids, petroleum products, synthetic liquid fuels and lubricants, and related service, storage and distribution facilities; for electric power--the generation and distribution of electric power produced by all means, (hydro, thermal, or nuclear); and for nuclear energy--the mining of uranium, thorium or other potential fuels, the processing of such ores into usable fuels, the use of such fuel in reactors, the reprocessing or disposal of used fuel elements, and processes related to these activities (see paragraph 3, Materials Division Mission Statement).

Subject to

FUNCTIONS

Within its field of responsibility, the Fuels and Power Branch shall:

1. Formulate, recommend, and prepare, or coordinate the preparation of, research programs and intelligence studies bearing on the economic capabilities, vulnerabilities, and intentions of the Sino-Soviet Bloc.
2. Provide economic, including current, intelligence support and technical advice to other components of CIA or to other U.S. Government agencies.
3. Maintain working level liaison with other U.S. Government agencies.

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4. Provide chairman and/or secretariat for KIC subcommittees.
5. Prepare collection, collation, and exploitation requirements, and provide guidance and evaluation in support thereof.
6. Recommend and work with, as necessary, consultants and/or consultant panels to assist in carrying out Branch responsibilities.
7. Review and evaluate intelligence reports received from U.S. [REDACTED] agencies.

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